In the Supreme Court of Iowa



In the Matter of Amendments to Iowa Court Rules Regulating the Practice of Law

Nunc Pro Tunc

On February 20, 2012, the court issued an order amending Division III (Professional Regulation) of the Iowa Court Rules. The amendments included revisions to Iowa Court Rules 31.1, 31.9, 31.11, 34.4, 34.5, 34.6, 34.7, 34.23, 35.8, 35.9 (35.10 as renumbered), 35.10 (35.11 as renumbered), 35.15 (35.16 as renumbered), 36.10, 39.9, 41.3, 42.1, and 45.2. In addition, adoption of new Iowa Court Rule 35.9 necessitated renumbering old rules 35.9 through 35.27. Also, Iowa Court Rules 7.6, 39.15, 41.11, and comments to Iowa Rules of Professional Conduct 32:1.3 and 32:8.5 were amended to conform the numbering of internal rule references.

Prior to publication of the amendments, the Iowa Administrative Code Editor's office and court staff identified and recommended a number of non-substantive revisions to the amendments approved on February 20, including additional punctuation, grammatical, and spacing changes to the amended rules intended to conform the appearance of the amended rules to the eventual published form of the rules. Also, of particular note are revisions to 35.12(4) correcting references to the Iowa Rules of Appellate Procedure.

These revised amendments to the rules regulating the practice of law are attached to this order. The attachment first incorporates the amendments made effective February 20, 2012, and makes additional revisions to those amendments. The court has previously posted a summary of the February 20, 2012, amendments on the judicial branch website under "Recent Amendments & New Rules."

The attached revisions to the Iowa Court Rules regulating the practice of law are effective immediately.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2012.

The Supreme Court of Iowa

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